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Applicants : Francesco Salituro et al.
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Hon. Commissioner for Patents
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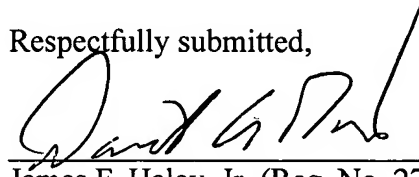
PETITION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a) FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), applicants hereby petition for a three-month extension of time to respond to an Office Action dated September 30, 2004. With the extension, a response is due on or before March 30, 2005. A check in the amount of \$1,020.00, in payment of the fee required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(a)(3), is enclosed herewith.

The Director is authorized to charge any additional fees that may be due,
or to credit overpayment of same, to Deposit Account No. 06-1075. A duplicate copy of
this Petition is enclosed herewith.

Respectfully submitted,



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